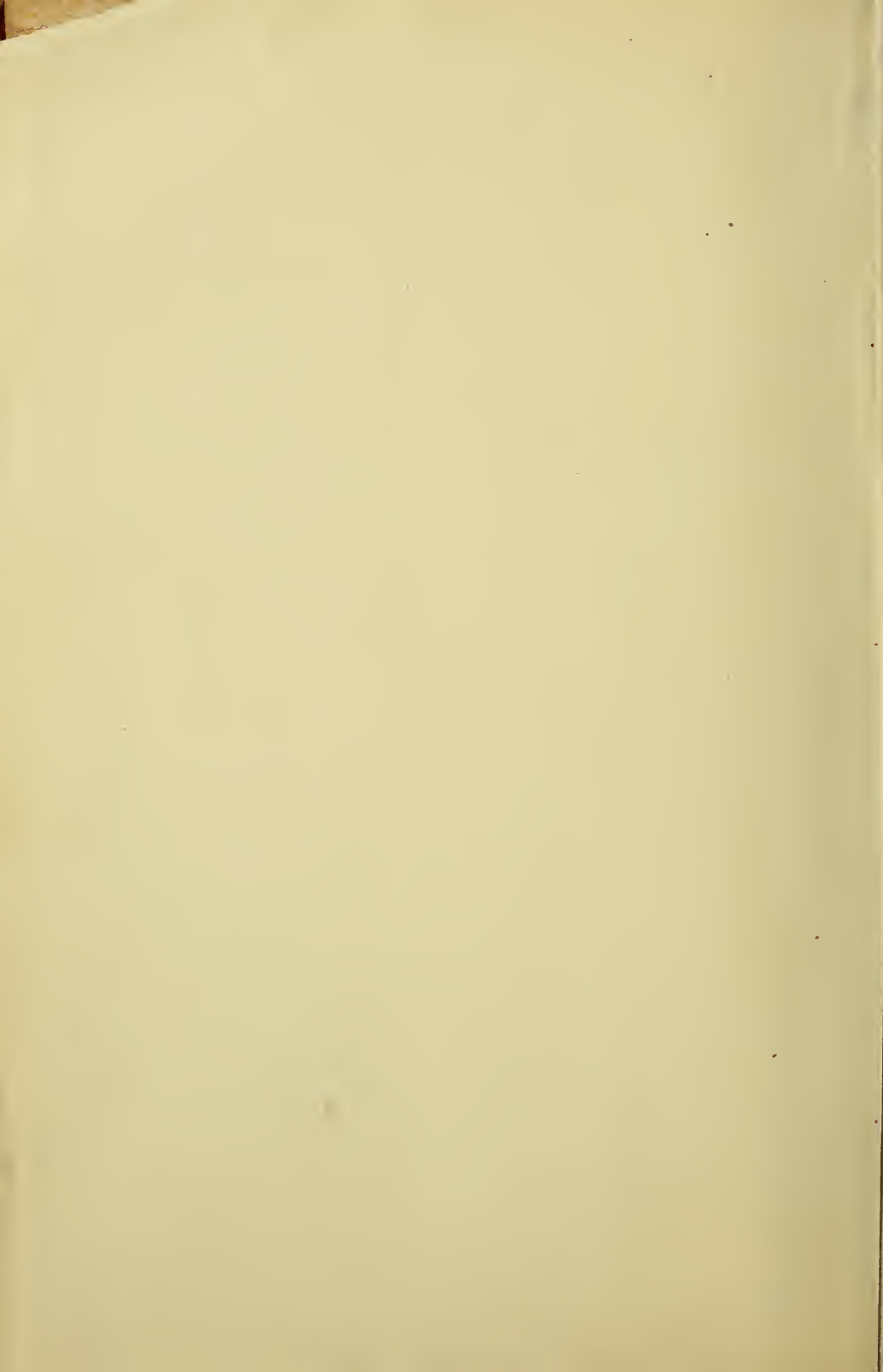


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## Former Graduates and the New Course of Study.

NOW that the new course of study has been fairly inaugurated and the Normal Schools are equipped in teaching force, in library and laboratory for their additional work, the question may be raised with the Alumni who have gone out in recent years and have not taken advanced courses of study. Is it not worth your while to return to Indiana that you may add to your scholastic attainments and obtain the certificate in the new course? This additional preparation includes in Mathematics, solid Geometry, Trigonometry and Surveying for those who feel the need of further mathematics. Two years of German or French may be taken by those who prefer a modern language to Mathematics or two years of Greek may be taken by those who would prepare for college in the classical course.

The additions in Science and in English are inviting to those who feel their need in those directions.

The objective benefits of this additional year are twofold. First, it opens up high school positions. This consideration of itself is a very important one. Secondly, it enables the graduate to enter many colleges, and is a partial preparation for any. Graduates of other Normal Schools are pursuing this course at their own schools. One of the graduates of last year, Miss Edna M. Heck, of Allegheny, has already blazed the way as the pioneer in Indiana.

THE readers of the Herald will be grieved to learn that a number of changes in the corps of teachers come with the ending year. After having been a potent factor in the life of the

school for seven years, Prof. C. B. Robertson has resigned his chair in order to accept a similar position in the State Normal School of Cortland, N.Y.

The inducements held out to him by that institution are not greater than justified by a sound business judgment, but they are so far beyond the best that Indiana can do, that we can only say in our grief, we rejoice in the recognition of his worth, while we suffer. Prof. Robertson will carry with him into his new field the most cordial regard of all his associates here, and of the alumni.

Miss Nellie M. Gordon, after having had charge of the English Grammar for five years, and of a group of girls in the dormitory each term, has resigned that she may spend a year, at least, at home. The work in English Grammar has been repeatedly commended by the State examiners during her administration. Miss Gordon's influence as exerted upon the girls on the halls and in the work of the Christian Association has been one of those agencies that have been most valuable in building up character. A cordial welcome will always await her at Indiana.

Miss Marian L. Clark, who has had charge of the drawing for two years past and has conducted the department with marked ability, has resigned, contrary to our wishes. We cannot explain further than that if her name had continued the same we would have hoped to retain her. Miss Clark bears with her the esteem of all connected with the school.

The Alumni will be sorry to hear that after having held the stewardship for fifteen years, Mr. Davis will withdraw before the opening of the Fall term. Miss Maria Davis will relin-



quish her arduous position at the same time. With all the fluctuations in the teaching corps, including five principals, the stability of the stewardship has been preserved through more than half the life of the school. Advancing years and some infirmity of health have combined to make the step desirable. The services of Miss Davis will long be remembered for the efficiency that has ever characterized them; and noticeably her masterful administration of the domestic arrangements during the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary.

The department of Drawing and Manual Training will be combined in the hands of Prof. Graffam.

The school is happy to announce that Miss Mary Haines Crombie, '98, who took a fellowship at Wellesley where she was graduated this year, has accepted the position formerly held by Miss Gordon, teacher of English Grammar.

The stewardship during the coming year will be in the hands of Prof. A. M. Hammers while Mrs. Hammers will have charge of the household affairs. None are better acquainted with the needs of the school, and they will enter upon their labors with the hearty support and good wishes of every friend of Indiana.

The Historical Sciences hitherto taught by Prof. Hammers will be in the hands of Miss Ackerman.

The school was very fortunate during the term just closed in having as additional teachers, Miss Dora Helen Moody and Prof. R. W. Tinsley. Both have won golden opinions from all the teachers and pupils who have been in touch with them.

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(Without the Editor's Permission.)

WITH this number of the Herald the present Editor-in-chief, Miss Mabel Waller, retires from the editorial staff and from the faculty, to spend a year abroad in a travel and study.

We regret very much her decision,

because The Herald and school lose a quiet, active and faithful worker. Her absence will be especially noticed in the department of Natural Sciences, where she has established an excellent reputation as a teacher and laboratory assistant.

We wish for her a delightful voyage, and a successful year.

### Miss Tomb's Recital.

The musical recital given in the Chapel on Friday evening, June 26th, by Miss Verna M. Tomb, who graduated from the piano-forte department of the school, was listened to with much interest by a large and appreciative audience. Miss Tomb's selections were all highly pleasing, being well contrasted in style and showed to advantage her facility of technique, and intelligent appreciation of the composers' thoughts as expressed in their music.

Miss Tomb was assisted by Miss Virginia E. Davis and other young ladies from the vocal department, who gave two very pleasing selections. The following is the programme:

Sonata Op. 2, No. 1,	Menuetto-
Prestissimo,	- Beethoven
Capriccio in E Minor, Op. 16,	
No. 2,	- Mendelssohn
Vocal Solo,	Tennyson's Bugle
Song,	- Gilchrist
Miss Virginia Davis.	
Rigaudon, Op. 40, No. 5,	- Grieg
Gondoliera,	- Moszkowski
Vocal Quartet,	The Bloom Is on
the Rye,	- Bishop
The Misses Davis, Hetrick, Forney	
and Wilson.	
The Gipsy,	- Chaminade
Tannhauser,	Song to the Even-
ing Star,	- Wagner-Liszt

### The Centennial Celebration.

Indiana county has passed the century mark in the period of her history, the great celebration is over, and once more her inhabitants have settled themselves to the ordinary routine of their daily life. But to say that everybody enjoyed the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of Indiana



County's birth is to put the matter mildly. With the feeling that no one would live to again aid in celebrating such an occasion, the entire populace turned out, and helped to make June 16th and 17th, 1903, days long to be remembered by all who call Indiana county their home. Space will not permit us to give an extended account. Suffice to say that when the citizens of Indiana, assisted by their able lieutenants from all over the county, set out to do a thing, that thing is done, and well done.

We shall mention only a few of the features of the centennial, and would recommend to any of our readers who wish a more detailed account of the proceedings, to send for a copy of any one of the Indiana weeklies.

The first event of importance was the presentation of the fountain to the town by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The fountain is located directly in front of the Court House, and is made of iron, standing six feet high, surmounted by a five foot statue of Hebe, the Olympian cup-bearer, making the entire height eleven feet.

Next came the Civic parade, in which all the industries of the county were represented. There were more than 400 wagons and floats in the parade, and it was more than an hour in passing any given point. Perhaps the most unique and attractive feature of the whole Centennial occasion was that contributed by the Normal School. Three hundred and twelve Normal girls were dressed and arranged on the elevated stand in front of the Court House, so as to give a perfect representation of the National Flag. This was a sight worth coming miles to see. For over two hours on Tuesday morning the girls sat thus arranged, and entertained the throng of thousands gathered round them, with their songs and yells. Again in the evening they delighted the huge audience with their waving of flags and the singing of na-

tional airs until all were ready to pronounce the Normal's part of the centennial performance a complete success.

On Wednesday morning occurred the soldiers' parade, and in the afternoon the sham battle, which was witnessed by a crowd of 15,000 people. In the evening the exercises were brought to a close by the "Old Soldiers' Camp-fire," held in Library Hall. This was a feature of the occasion especially pleasing to the old veterans who are still among us, survivors of the great struggle of '61 to '65.

The Carnival company with their various shows, and exhibitions strung along Main street from the station down to the Central Hotel, remained in town all week and did a good business.

The Centennial was in every way a success, and the Herald extends congratulations to all who had the celebration in charge.

### Dr. Mitchell's Lecture.

On Saturday evening, June the twentieth, the Rev. Charles Bayard Mitchell, D. D., of Cleveland, O., delivered in the Normal Chapel his lecture on "Taking the Prize."

Dr. Mitchell is a brilliant and forceful speaker. His theme, a popular one, was treated with originality, quiet humor, and intense earnestness.

He introduced his subject by saying that there is no such thing as luck or chance. Man is the molder of his own destiny. Then he spoke of the things over which we have no control and therefore for which we have no reason to be proud. "A man should claim credit for what he himself has accomplished, not for the merit or worth of his grandfather." He went on to say that of all the prizes which we may gain, proficiency in art, music or literature, honor, fame or wealth the latter is the easiest to secure. To gain any prize we must have a definite aim, concentration, breadth and the power of approach.

Finally he declared that there is one prize which we may all secure—character. Toward the winning of this, the greatest of all the prizes set before us, all the energies of young manhood and womanhood should be bent.

## PROFESSIONAL DEPARTMENT

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The pupils of the Model School deserve much credit for assembling in so large numbers on the closing day, considering the many drawbacks of the last month. It is always hard to hold the children's interest after the town schools close, and this year the State Board came later than usual. The week given up to celebrating Indiana's Centennial had intensified the longing for vacation and freedom and when we consider the effect of three contagious diseases, mumps, measles, and scarlet fever, which diminished the school nearly one half, it is rather remarkable that any children answered to roll call upon the last day. The few members of the State Board who were present were as interested and appreciative as one could wish. The day was cool and pleasant, tho' following close upon heavy snows, and the exercises went off creditably to all concerned.

Perhaps some of Indiana's graduates may be thinking of a course at Stanford University, California. To them the information just sent to us from one of our graduates there may be of service. "There will be cheap hotels for the grand army in August and any young man who can bring enough for his first semester (\$100.) should have no trouble in getting on. The Labor Bureau is well organized and is glad to get boys who will work. The tuition the first year is \$20, and after that they register from California, and there is no fee. Day board is high but by waiting on table, they get around that, and in the summer the packing of fruit furnishes steady work at \$1.60 a day and upwards, with quarters."

## Baccalaureate Sunday.

On Sunday, June 28, the Presbyterian church hospitably opened its doors to the graduating class of 1903 and their friends. Dr. O. G. Klinger of Gettysburg delivered the Baccalaureate sermon from the text "The kingdom of God has come nigh unto you." (Luke X:9.) In his introduction Dr. Klinger spoke of the change in kingdoms being a familiar thought to the nations of the world in Christ's time, the usual nature of this message lay in the peculiarity of the "kingdom of God." Then he outlined his sermon by a discussion of the three characteristics of this kingdom.

1. It was a kingdom of love, of mutual service, of spending oneself for others. The word love is often misunderstood and belittled. In its true meaning it is the highest thing in the world, the attribute of God himself. It absolutely disregards self.

2. Within this kingdom is a spiritual energy at the command of any one who needs it, a vital force, by the help of which all problems may be faced, all difficulties surmounted. One can as surely rely on this force as upon the law of gravitation.

3. For all within this kingdom there is forgiveness of sin, that blessed condition in which is the "peace that passeth all understanding."

Dr. Klinger's manner was convincing and his appeal direct, and any one watching the earnest young faces of the students could not fail to see that they had received fresh inspiration to follow the life of service, the self-devoted life of the true teacher.

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## Erodelphian Anniversary.

The Erodelphian Anniversary this year was opened with prayer by Dr. F. Swartz Crawford of the Presbyterian church and the following program was carried out with marked

success, though the audience was small.

Piano Solo, Miss Bess Hammond '00  
President's Address,

Mr. Robert P. Waller '02

Recitation, Miss Davis

Vocal Solo, Mrs. James Blair

Book Review, Miss Olive McCleary

Piano Solo, Miss Nellie Pearce

Erodelphian Review,

Miss Pearl Powell.

### Class Day.

On Tuesday afternoon, June 30th, "The smallest class since 1884" held its Class Day exercises in the Normal Chapel. The decorations were unusually pretty, for the white and green of this little "pioneer" class lent themselves readily to artistic arrangement. Banks of fern, clusters of daisies, and masses of white carnations made a fitting setting for the gay dresses and bright faces of the naughty-threes. To the singing by the Class Glee Club of the Wedding March from Lohengrin the class marched down the aisle, led by their president, Olive McCleary, and vice-president, E. L. Bowman. After a short and graceful address of welcome by the president, Miss Verna Tomb played with taste and fine finish Grieg's "To Spring." Next came the Class History by Viola Simpson. She told with easy humor of the "trials and tribulations" of the little class, of their brave struggles with the new course, of the successful passing of the Middle year, and, finally, of the happy moment when that awful spectre, the State Board—who, after all "looked very much like other men,"—pronounced them candidates for graduation, 27 girls and 2 boys. Nelle P. Maxwell as Pessimist made an excellent knocker. She fairly wrung our hearts with the history of the woes of her class. Nor was the tale of suffering left to the imagination alone, for Lulu B. Thompson by her clever sketches

gave ocular evidence that the Growler was not growling unprovoked. We had almost decided with them that life was certainly not worth living, and were pondering on the advisability of sharing the fate of that limp and awful figure last presented by the artist, when we were aroused by the bright voice of Laura T. Good, bidding us "Cheer up," for life after all, was a pretty good thing. Thus admonished we were able to listen with pleasure to the Vocal Solo, "In the Dark, in the Dew," by Whitney Coombs, very charmingly sung by Mary Campbell. The Oration, "Poverty No Obstacle to Success," by Thomas Kerr, and the Vocal Solo by E. L. Bowman, showed that the boys of '03, though vastly in the minority, were in no way inclined to yield all the honors of their class to the fairer sex. After the piano duet by Misses Martin and Wager, came a recitation, "The Swan Song," in which Opal Berthel fully justified the reputation she had won in elocution.

In her essay, "Wanted—Men," Laura Dickie in a style at once humorous and dignified, made an appeal for more earnest, noble men, setting up for them a standard, which a womanly woman would make her standard for a manly man.

The Class Will was next read by Bess Cunningham. She generously gave away everything from the prospective new buildings, to the cat that Mr. Robertson had not yet found.

Isa Lee Ryan showed remarkable gifts as Prophet, reading with conviction the future of every member of her class.

The Class Poet was well chosen, and Carrie A. Fischer gave her farewell words with a feeling that could not help but affect her audience.

But this gay little class could never be sad for long, and now Madge Cameron quickly dispelled the gloom by her bright manner in bestowing her gifts, in which no one was forgotten.

Even '02 came in for a share, and received not in its pristine glory, but torn with the conflict of battle, the flag that for a few brief moments had waved in blue and white splendor from the top of Old Normal.

Even when the final class song was sung it was impossible to feel wholly sad at the thought of the parting with noughty-three. For Birdie Silverman had written a bright little song to a cheerful air; and it was with anything but "a grave and wrinkled brow" that the Seniors prepared "to start on life's long journey:

"For it's always with pleasure  
That 'noughty-three' gets together  
To praise our own Normal,  
And to raise to it a cheer."

### Commencement Concert.

A large and appreciative audience gathered in Normal chapel on Tuesday evening, June the thirtieth, to listen to the annual Commencement Concert given by the pupils of the music department.

The selections by the Glee Club are always well rendered and those given on this occasion were no exception to the general rule. The sweetness of tone and balance of the parts made them delightful.

The vocal solo by Miss Davis was most enjoyable.

The piano work consisted of solos by the Misses Wilson, Riddle, Griffith, Pierce, Forney, Tomb and McCreight, duets by the Misses Riddle and Graham, and the Misses Tomb and Forney, and quartettes by the Misses Tomb, Forney, Harrison and Griffith.

The final number was a quartette by the Misses Owens, Thompson, McCreight and Sansom, graduate students of the department.

All were played in a most creditable manner, and several were brilliantly rendered. The leading characteristics of the piano work were clearness and delicacy of execution and artistic interpretation.

The entire program reflected great credit upon the performers, and upon Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Waldo, the earnest and capable instructors in the departments of instrumental and vocal music.

### PROGRAM.

#### Part I.

- Overture—Zampa (two pianos) Herold  
Misses Tomb and Forney,  
Pearce and Griffith.  
Greeting Waltz, - - Macy  
Glee Club.  
Austrian Folk Song, - - Pacher  
Margaret Wilson.  
Ballet Music, - - Meyer-Helmund  
Meredith Riddle.  
Au Matin, - - Godard  
Gaye Griffith.  
The Belle of the Angels, Vocal  
Solo, - - Anton-Koerner  
Virginia Davis.  
Second Mazurka, - - Godard  
Nellie Pearce.

Waltz in Eb (two pianos) - Duraud  
Meredith Riddle and Beatrice Graham

#### Part II.

- Persian March (two pianos) de Kontski  
Misses Forney and Griffith,  
Pearce and Harrison.  
Introduction and Valse Lente,  
Sieveking  
Ruth Forney.  
The Ballade of the Weaver, - Hatton  
Vocal Quartette.  
Gondoliera (two pianos) - Reinecke  
Misses Tomb and Forney.  
Air de Ballet, - - Chaminade  
Verna Tomb.  
Water Lilies (gavotte) - Linders,  
Glee Club.  
Gondoliera, - - Liszt,  
Mabel McCreight.  
Waltz Brillante, - - Moszkowski  
Misses Owens and Thompson,  
McCreight and Sansom.

### The Alumni Banquet.

Following the Commencement Concert on Tuesday evening, the Alumni Banquet was held in the dining room which had been decorated with the



colors of the different classes. Two long tables, decorated with daisies and ferns, ran the length of the dining room and seated about 175 guests.

The menu, which consisted of five courses, was prepared and served under the efficient direction of Miss Maria Davis, and was probably the best ever enjoyed at a Normal banquet. Both service and food were without a flaw or defect. Hon. S. M. Jack, of town, acted as toastmaster, calling for the toasts between courses and thus mingling intellectual and physical enjoyment.

Dr. Waller responded to the first toast, his subject being, "The School in Its Different Relations."

Mr. J. C. Reed Johnston, '93, President of the Alumni Association, responded to the toast, "The Gloved Hand." Miss Leonard spoke on, "The Alumni", taking the ten-year class as a type and recalling many interesting incidents.

Miss Lois McIlwain of Logan's Ferry made a most clever response to the subject, "The Pioneers."

The guests left the tables about midnight after singing songs of farewell and spent a few minutes in the halls and on the veranda in conversation, while the dining room was cleared for dancing. An excellent orchestra was in attendance and furnished music for both banquet and dancing.

Much of the success of the Alumni Banquet is due to the untiring efforts of the committee in charge, Mr. George Feit, Mrs. Riddle and Miss Waller. No item of detail was overlooked or slighted, and the committee has reason to be proud of its work.

### Commencement Exercises.

Dr. Merrill E. Gates, the former president of Rutgers College and then of Amherst, delivered the Commencement Oration: "Self, Citizen, Teacher."

Dr. Gates began by saying that as the Chinese, looking backward, worship their ancestors, so the Americans, look-

ing forward, worship children. In their appreciation of the forces of nature, as instanced in their wonderful inventions, our fellow-countrymen realize the primary force possible in the young life. As nature cares for the on-coming life in the baby grain, so our hope must be laid up in the children. Every thing possible should be done for the boy. He should continually go on to the fuller courses of study. Every parent should do all he can for the child's education. How foolish for men, who put money into all their business operations, to question that children should be developed not only physically, but mentally and spiritually. And in order to guard the coming life we must make the most of our powers—we, as teachers, must by reading, study and continued application, make the most of self.

But self culture is not the only necessity: we must have the power to impart. God, who has linked power of thought with power of expression, has set us in families, and no man or woman comes to full development without working for others. Teachers especially, must live for the community. The word "polished" comes from the Greek for "politics" meaning "affair of the city," and no man could be a perfect citizen who did not spend himself for his community without pay or reward. God's law of power is that we should use it or lose it, and we should go straightway from the solitary confinement of study to working for the good of others.

Why should public schools be maintained? Because trained labor in agriculture, in shipbuilding, in everything, pays, and the supremacy of the nation depends on the schools. Every man and woman must have a more comfortable home. But making man is vastly more important than making money. Never has a long period of money-making been useful to a nation. We should beware of being hypnotized by this power. Our hope is in the

ever-fresh ideals of our youth, who have higher ends than money-making. And God so works that those who strive for pure science make money for the millions. Work first and then fee, and you serve God; fee first and then work, and you serve the devil. The true democracy is educated citizenship where every man knows he has a chance. Our young are to be our rulers, and they must be taught to rule well.

"Thou shalt not debase in thyself or in another the highest manhood," was uttered by Kant more than a hundred years ago. In these struggles between labor and capital, between Union and non-Union men; in the matter of buying and selling votes; in relation to household service, this principle holds: Everyone who touches another life must treat that life so that it shall be built up.

Teachers must be leaders, or they will fail. Their business is to draw heavy loads up hill. Young people are the future, and in that future there can be success only if teachers are the locomotive principle.

But we are never for an hour without the care of the loving Father, who is Himself the great Teacher, and morning by morning we may take the force of God's love to increase our power.

Following is the class graduated:

Barr, Anna M., Bellevue; Berthel, Opal L., Mount Pleasant; Best, Elizabeth E., Dravosburg; Cameron, Madge V., Indiana; Cameron, Maude V., Indiana; Campbell, Mary, Clarion; Conlin, Mamie L., Duquesne; Culp, Daisy E., Arnold; Cunningham, Besse M., Indiana; Davis, Cora B., Clarion; Dickie, Laura M., Indiana; Fischer, Carrie A., Edgewood Park; Good Laura J., Pitcairn; Greenawalt, Metta E., Jeannette; Heck, Edna M., Allegheny; Hirth, Alice, Homestead; Martin, Martha S., Pittsburg; Maxwell, Nelle P., Pittsburg; Mumaw, Grace M., Scottsdale; McCleary, Olive M., McKeesport; McElwain, Lois,

Logans Ferry; Reven, Gertrude, Indiana; Ryan, Isa L., New Brighton; Silverman, Birdie C., Allegheny; Simpson, Viola H., Indiana; Thompson, Lulu B., Murrysburg; Wageley, Frances M., Pittsburg; Wagner, Della M., Allegheny; Bowman, E. L., Clarion; Kerr, Thomas S., Rimersburg.

Graduate in music, Tomb, Verna M., Armagh.

### Decennial Reunion of '93.

The custom of holding 10-year reunions has been in process of formation at Normal for years, but the reunions never reached anything like perfection till the turn of '93 came. Then Indiana commencement goers witnessed a reunion that will be the standard of such affairs for years to come. Little there was of commencement, outside of the regular exercises, except '93 and its reunion. For high spirits, general hilarity and pure joy this decennial anniversary was something to be remembered.

The class of 1893 contained an even 50 members—39 girls and 11 boys and of these, 30—22 women and 8 men answered roll-call in 1903. For the convenience of classes that may have hopes of beating this record it has been figured out that 56 per cent. of the girls and 72 per cent. of the boys were present. Of the members-in-law of the class, only two were on hand, Mr. Glover and Mr. Welty. Fully one-half the class are married, and of the married ones nine returned.

The fun began on the Friday before Commencement with the arrival of Millie Duff, Maud Wilson and Kate Weiss, upon whom ten years have had no visible effect. From that time on until the next Thursday evening when the final group departed there was always some spot in building, grove or campus where mirth and joy reigned supreme in the midst of a group of '93's.

Pity for those who were absent was the only cloud upon the sky, and sometimes they forgot that for a moment.

The official program began on Monday night with a most delightful reception to the class by Mrs. Gertrude Cunningham Glover at her father's home on Philadelphia street. Here the class played progressive games, composed and sang the songs that were so much in evidence during the rest of the week, and ate and drank. But principally, they talked. They had ten year's time to make up. Mr. Glover helped entertain, and not a person present but inwardly congratulated Gert on her good fortune. The guests left shortly after midnight wishing their worst enemies no greater ill fortune than to miss one of Mrs. Glover's receptions.

On Tuesday morning the entire class took carriages and drove to Jacksonville where they victoriously encountered a vast and formidable array of chicken, waffles and raspberry pie. Then there was more singing and hilarity. Miss Leonard and Mr. Robertson piloted them on this voyage, and they reached home just in time for the Alumni Meeting which looked so much like a '93 event that I was tempted to include it in this article.

At the class meeting on Wednesday afternoon, C. D. McComish, acting as temporary chairman, appointed Mr. Glasgow, Mrs. Glover and Miss Bryan a committee on Resolutions. Upon the suggestion of Jen Kendig Welty, the class decided to place in the new Leonard Recitation Hall a memorial window, and Misses Hope Stewart and Eleanor Morrow, Mrs. Glover and W. J. Dyer were appointed a committee to carry the plan through.

It is confidently believed that all the members of the class will be glad to show their loyalty to their school and their class by responding promptly when called upon by the committee.

The following members of the class were present at the anniversary:

Blanche Barnes, Johnstown; Lottie Bryan, Indiana; Bertha Clement, Oakmont; Millie Duff, Rodi; Effie Fisher,

Irwin; Jen Johnston, Pittsburg; Jen Kendig Welty, Wilmerding; Edna Leydie George, Apollo; Janet McKibben Patterson, McKeesport; Clara Moorhead, Indiana; Eleanor Morrow, Allegheny; Rachel Sickman Irving, Gill Hall; Anna Sloan Seigh, Johnstown; Edith Smith, Indiana; Margaret Smith, Johnstown; Ella Srader, Freeport; Hope Stewart, Indiana; Luella Stevenson, Braddock; Katherine Weiss, Latrobe; Maud Wilson, Rodi; Jeannette Woods, Pittsburg; J. P. Archibald, Blairsville; H. S. Bender, Johnstown; D. W. Douds, Plumville; W. J. Dyer, Pittsburg; J. T. Glasgow, Glasgow; J. C. R. Johnston, Bennett; A. M. Lee, Hulton; C. D. McComish, Stanford University, Cal.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following which was unanimously adopted:—

Whereas: The class of '93 have been so royally entertained by Dr. Waller, the Faculty and the Trustees of their Alma Mater on the occasion of their tenth reunion, be it

Resolved: That the Class of '93 extend to them a vote of thanks for their generous hospitality and entertainment.

Be it also resolved that a copy of the above resolutions be handed Dr. Waller, and that they be published in the Normal Herald.

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Miss Elsie Powers, our teacher of Elocution in the Winter and Spring of '97, was married at noon, June 29, at her home in Randolph, Vt., to Mr. Harry J. Corwin. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin will reside in Lowell, Mass., where Mr. Corwin is advertising manager for the C. I. Hood Company, of Hood's Sarsaparilla fame. Mrs. Corwin's Normal friends, who think of her always with pride and affection, send to her on this happy occasion their love and best wishes.



## ALUMNI NOTES.

Each year more and more of our alumni are taking advanced work in the colleges. This year the following receive degrees: Charles McComish, '93, at Leland Stanford, Jr.; Mary Elizabeth Trout, '95, at Juniata College; J. Herbert Russell, '95, at University of Michigan; Ralph McComish, '97, at Leland Stanford, Jr.; Mary H. Crombie, '98, at Wellesley; Blanche Fairfax Foster, '98, at University of Iowa; T. F. Lininger, '98, at Allegheny College; Alvin Sherbine, '98, at Dickinson Law School; Clyde Guthrie, '99, at Lafayette; Ira Johnston, '97, at University of Michigan; John M. Leonard, '96, at Hahnemann Medical; H. Ney Prothero, '99, at Jefferson Medical; Royden J. Taylor, '96, at Cornell; Frank Cunningham, '97, at Lafayette.

Miss Mansfield has just taken her degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy at Leland Stanford, Jr., University. She expects to spend the summer with her brother, Col. Mansfield, who is commandant at Fort Porter, Buffalo. Our former teacher, Miss Edith Dudley, will also spend the summer with her relatives, the Mansfields. We are happy to say that Miss Mansfield returns to her work in Indiana in September, and she will return, as she always has after an absence for study, with enlarged knowledge and renewed power. Miss Mansfield's example of laying aside her school work now and then for a year or two of study is one that cannot be too highly commended to other teachers.

On Friday evening, June 5, Miss Jessie Ackerman, who has been prominent in the work of the W. C. T. U. for a number of years, talked to the students of her travels in Iceland. The account of her novel experiences in a country not generally included in the Cook Tours was interesting and instructive.

Miss Florence Stephenson '82, has contributed two very interesting leaflets to the Literature Department of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church. The one, "A Stray Lamb Folded" and the other, "Mahalar's Smartin' Up" are impressive in their humor and pathos.

Mary Cooper '88, who is supervisor of primary instruction in Johnstown, is on the way to recovery after her severe attack of pneumonia. At the worst of her illness her life was despaired of and the whole city of Johnstown shared intimately in the alarm and grief of her family.

A new music book, suitable for school and institute work, has just been published by T. L. Gibson '90. For the last few years Mr. Gibson has been a very popular musical conductor at the teachers' institutes and this book is the result of his experience.

Miss Leonard conducted an examination at the Purchase Line Academy Summer school for the benefit of those who had studied there and desired corresponding credits at the Normal School. Wilmer H. Wood '01, was the principal of the school.

Miss Laura Maud Davis, '95, who has spent something more than a year in California with her brothers, has returned home strong in health and enriched by the fruits of travel, strange sights and contact with interesting people.

Seldon M. Ely '88, was one of the Memorial Day orators at Washington, D. C. His oration reflects the high culture and lofty spirit of the thoughtful student and good citizen.

Many who remember Blanche Foster '98, and her mother will be glad to know that Blanche graduated this summer in the Arts course from the University of Iowa.

J. T. Glasgow, '93, has dropped out of the profession of teaching to take up a mercantile life. May he be as successful in the new work as in the old.



### The Middlers' Contest.

On Monday evening, May the twenty-fifth, the first annual contest of the Middle Class was held in the Normal Chapel.

The hall was well filled, many of the older pupils and patrons of the school being present. The program was as follows:

Piano Solo—"A Bord de l'Argo,"

Grande Valse Brilliante, Wollenhaupt  
Gay Griffith.

Debate—"Resolved, That the Powers and Privileges of the Senate Should be Restricted."

Affirmative, James E. Hershberger.

Negative, Elbie E. Creps.

Vocal Solo—"O May Time Sweet,"

Verna Tomb.

Essays—

"Garibaldi," Ida L. Opperman.

"Making the Best of It," Sara Bruce

Piano Duet—

a. "The Lake," - D'Ourville,

b. "Hunting Song,"

Ruth Forney and Nellie Pearce.

Orations—

"Our National Disease,"

Luella B. Wagner

"Spain," - - Helen B. Porter

Piano Solo—"Scherzino," Moszkowski  
Nellie Pearce.

Recitations—

"Story of a Japanese Acrobat,"

Phyllis L. Moorhead

"Sally Ann's Experience,"

Della B. Swan

Waltz Song—"Glad Spring is Come,"  
Glee Club

The judges, Dr. R. D. Wilson, of Princeton Theological Seminary; Prof. R. Willis Fair, of Kiskiminetas Springs School, and Hon. John S. Fisher, decided in favor of Mr. Elbie E. Creps, Miss Sarah E. Bruce, Miss Helen B. Porter and Miss Phyllis L. Moorhead. When announcing the decision, Dr. Wilson complimented the performers on the excellence of the work and congratulated their trainers and the school.

The musical selections were especially well rendered, the waltz song, "Glad Spring Is Come," being received with enthusiastic applause.

### The Washington Trip.

As is the custom, the class of 1903 visited Washington during the last year at school.

They profited by the experience of the previous classes and did not visit the capital when Boreas was abroad or yet when Autumn's winds did blow, but the time they selected was in that most beautiful of months, May.

Accordingly the morning of Monday, May eleventh, found many expectant and waiting.

Besides the class and other members of the school there were some from Wilkinsburg, Greensburg, Derry, Bolivar and Indiana.

As chaperons, we had Professor Hammers and Mrs. Mitchell. They were ably assisted in their efforts to make the trip a pleasant and profitable one by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutton, the President of our Board of Trustees, and his charming wife.

For the service of the excursion, the Pennsylvania Railroad had detailed two cars. So, according to schedule, attached to the 8:45 passenger train, the party arrived at the Intersection. Then, changing to the Eastbound Express, the valley of the Conemaugh was traveled and at 12:30 Altoona was reached. Here we saw one of our old class-mates, Mr. Williams. The run from Altoona to Harrisburg was made without a stop.

The Susquehanna was crossed on the marvelous stone bridge and Harrisburg reached at last. Here our cars were transferred to the Northern Central Railway, for the run to York and thence to Baltimore. A wait of half an hour and we were on the last stage of the journey and at 7:30 p. m. the Washington monument was in view in the west. Crossing Anacostia Bay, we passed through Virginia avenue and across the wall to the Sixth and B streets station, where omnibuses were in waiting to convey us to the Elsmere Hotel, 1406 H street, N. W.

As it was late, the Congressional Library was not visited as scheduled but the party rested and established themselves and were ready for work in the morning.

Tuesday morning was spent in view-

ing the capital. The massive dome, the pictures in the Rotunda, Halls of Congress, Hall of Supreme Court and the Statuary Hall, all received their share of attention. In Statuary Hall the guide pointed out the spot where John Adams was stricken with apoplexy, and also pointed out to us the remarkable echo which is produced here. Pennsylvania is represented in Statuary Hall by the statues of Benjamin Franklin and George Muhlenberg.

Tuesday afternoon Alexandria, Mt. Vernon and Arlington National Cemetery were visited.

Alexandria is the sleepy old town that it was years ago, even though it has some iron works and foundries.

Mt. Vernon was at its best, and nothing could so strongly suggest the Father of his Country, as the old fashioned homestead which lies on the bluff above the Potomac. From the lantern may be had views of miles of low land and stretches of the beautiful Potomac.

Arlington, the home of Lee, was visited before returning. Here were seen the graves of many distinguished soldiers, and the graves of the Spanish-American War victims.

Wednesday forenoon was spent on the Mall. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the largest printing office in the world, where all the paper money, postage stamps and revenue stamps and all government documents are printed, was the first object. Passing to the National Museum and the Fish Commission, all things wonderful whether on the land or sea, were viewed. Wednesday afternoon was well spent in "seeing Washington."

Special observation cars with guides, took us to points of interest which were explained. The trip included the Pension and Patent buildings, water front, Lincoln Park and trip to Georgetown, besides a thousand other interesting points.

Thursday morning the party visited

the Corcoran Art Gallery, State, War and Navy buildings, the White House and the Treasury buildings.

By special permit obtained by Mrs. Mitchell, the party were allowed to view the Blue, Green and Red Rooms and Sargent's new portrait of the President. The Treasury building is noted as the center of the best organized system in the world, Uncle Sam's Banking. Thursday afternoon was spent in the shops and storehouses of the Navy Yard. The making of brass cartridges for the 4-inch guns was watched with a great deal of interest.

Mr. Rial, a former Normal student, now in the civil service, was kind enough to consent to guide us over the U. S. S. Dolphin, a dispatch boat, and Secretary Moody's private yacht. The "Mayflower," President Roosevelt's private yacht, was also lying near.

Some of the party visited the National Zoo on Rock Creek, on the Chevy Chase line. (They reported a good time.)

Tuesday evening was spent visiting the Congressional Library.

Wednesday and Thursday evenings theatre parties were made up and all the time employed.

Friday morning at 7:50 the party left over the Baltimore & Potomac for Baltimore, from thence to travel to Harrisburg and home by the Pennsylvania railroad, reaching Indiana Friday evening at 7:50 having spent five days very profitably.

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